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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

*Please change the paragraph which begins on page 15, line 25, and which continues to page 15, line 31, to read as follows:*

The laser diode 2 is housed into the device 1 by means of a support structure 3; the latter essentially ~~consists of~~ comprises a substantially cylindrical body 4 which is provided, on a front surface 5, with a plurality of housings 6 adapted to house respective elements 7 of electrical connection (commonly referred to as "pins") of the laser diode 2 (in particular, see figure 8 9).